(iii) Out of a total of 15 common effluent treatment plants to be constructed in 21 industrial estates, only 3 have been completed so far. The remaining ones are targeted for completion by December 2003.

(iv) Lack of dilution capacity in the river particularly along Delhi.

Existing system of pollution check

4372. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Centre for Science and Environment has criticised the Union Government for failing to put in place an effective system to test polluting vehicles;

(b) If so, whether the existing system to check pollution of vehicles is not worthy;

(c) If so, the facts thereof; and

(d) the steps Government propose to take to remove the various bottlenecks in the system ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV) (a) to (d) There are reports indicating shortcomings in the existing Pollution Under Control (PUC) Certification system. The PUC certificates are issued by agencies authorized by the State Governments The PUC system, in Delhi, has been further strengthened by introduction of web camera for recording number plates of vehicles.

National Forest Commission

4373. SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD:

DR T SUBBARAMI REDDY:

SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO :

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the first National Forest Commission has been set up by Government;

(b) if so, whether this Commission has been given specific period of time for submitting its report;

(c) if so, who are its members; and

(d) by what time the report is likely to be submitted ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government of India has set up the first National Forest Commission on 7-2-2003 to review the working of the Forests and Wildlife Sector.

(b) to (d) The time prescribed for the Commission to complete its assigned task is two years.

(c) The Composition of the Commission is as follows:

Shri Justice B.N. Kirpal, Ex-Chief Justice of India	Chairman (Part time)
Director General of Forests and Special Secretary in the Ministry of Environment and Forests	*Member-ex-qfficio*
Prof. J. S. Singh Banaras Hindu University	Member-Part time
Shri Chandi Prasad Bhatt	Member-Part time
Dr. M. K. Ranjitsinh	Member-Part time
Shri A. P. Muthuswami	Member-Part time
Additional Director General of Forests, Ministry of Environment & Forests	Member-Secretary *(ex-officio)*

Committee for control and supervision of Experiments on Animals

4374. SHRI MUNAWAR HASAN:

SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA:

SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be please to state:

(a) the detai Is of members on the Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals;

(b) the details of animal activists in the Committee;

(c) whether it is a fact that the National Institute of Immunology, Indian Institute of Sciences and many Scientists are demanding for reconstitution of the Committee with neutral members;

(d) if so, the details of the demand; and

(e) the action that has been contemplated by Government on their demand?